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# **Guide to Medical Interpretive Services**

- Follow the steps below to obtain medical interpretive services paid by Medicaid for a qualified client.
- Follow the steps in order.
- The box on the left is a "QUICK GUIDE" with keywords.
- The column on the right side of the box is information about each step.
- On the back side of this page is a list of Medical Interpretive Service Contractors and languages covered.
- For more information, refer to the <u>Utah Medicaid Provider Manual</u>, SECTION 1, Chapter 1 1, Applying for Medicaid 1; Chapter 2 1, Medicaid Services, item 33; Chapter 6 12, Medical Interpretive Services.

World Wide Web Address: <a href="http://health.utah.gov/medicaid/pdfs/SECTION1.pdf">http://health.utah.gov/medicaid/pdfs/SECTION1.pdf</a>

# **QUICK GUIDE**

Medical Interpretive Services for

Medicaid, CHIP, PCN, and services authorized on a State Medical Services Reimbursement Agreement Form (MI-706).

Both client and service must qualify for Medicaid to pay for an interpreter.

- Client eligible for health care service?
   NO Client NOT ELIGIBLE for free interpreter.
- 2 Client in managed care plan?

YES - Go to step 3.

NO - Go to step 4.

- **3** Service covered by managed care plan?
  - YES Call plan for interpreter.
  - NO Plans do not cover pharmacy, dental and chiropractic services. Go to step 4.
- 4 Health care service covered by fee-forservice medical program for which the client is eligible?
  - NO Client NOT ELIGIBLE for free interpreter.
  - YES Call medical contractor for interpreter.
- **6** Give required information to contractor.

Reference: <u>Utah Medicaid Provider Manual</u> SECTION 1, Chapter 6 - 12, Medical Interpretive Services • Client eligible for health care service?

Verify that the patient is eligible for a federal or state medical assistance program. Programs include Medicaid, CHIP, PCN, and services authorized on a State Medical Services Reimbursement Agreement Form (MI-706). If not eligible, the client is NOT ELIGIBLE for a free interpreter.

2 Client in managed care plan?

Verify whether the patient is enrolled in an HMO and/or a mental health plan.

- YES When client is enrolled in a plan, go to step 3.
- NO When client is not enrolled in a plan, go to step 4. The client is fee-for-service.
- Service covered by managed care plan?
  - YES A managed care plan must also cover interpretive services. Call the plan for interpreter.
  - NO Medicaid's managed care plans do not cover pharmacy, dental or chiropractic services. These are fee-for service. Go to step 4.
- Service covered by fee-for-service medical program for which the client is eligible?
  - NO When the service is NOT covered, the client does not qualify for a free interpreter.
  - YES When the service is covered, an interpreter is also covered. This includes pharmacy, dental and chiropractic services for clients in a managed care plan.
- When both the client and the service qualify, call one of the contractors listed on page 2. Give the required information below.
  - Client's first and last name <u>spelled exactly as on the</u> Medicaid Identification Card.
  - 2. Client date of birth: six digits only (mm/dd/yy)
  - 3. Client's Medicaid number
  - 4. Your twelve-digit Medicaid Provider Number
  - 5. The Medicaid contractor number (listed on page 2).
  - 6. Language requested.
  - 7. Time and date an interpreter is needed, whether inperson or telephone.

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# Medical Interpretive Service Contractors Contractor Numbers and Languages

# **Catholic Community Services of Utah**

(801) 977-9119 (On Site Refugee Program Only) Hours: Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

- Contractor number 06 6175
- Languages: Albanian, Arabic, Armenian, Bosnian, French, Italian, Nuir, Persian, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Vietnamese. Call for specific language needed.

#### **International Rescue Committee**

(801) 328-1091 (On Site Refugee Program Only) Hours: Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

- Contractor number 06-6124
- Languages: Acholi, Albanian, Arabic, Bari, Dinka, Kakwa, Madi, Nuir, Russian, Serbo-Croatian (Bosnian/Serbian), Spanish, Swahili. Call for specific language needed.

#### **Asian Association**

(801) 412-0577 (On Site Refugee Program Only) Hours: Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

- Contractor number 06 6121
- Languages: Laotian, Macedonian, Turkish, Urduk, Kran, Bosnian, Persian, Banlanda, Farsi. Call for specific language needed.

### **Pentskiff Interpreting Services**

(801) 484-4089 (Telephonic & On Site)

Toll-free: 1-888-898-7129

Hours: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year

- Contractor number 06 6149
- Languages: Armenian, Belorussian, Bosnian, Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Russian, Spanish, Ukranian, Vietnamese. Call for specific language needed.

#### Linguistica International

(801) 908-5744 (Telephonic & On Site)

Hours: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year

- Contractor number 06- 6119
- Languages
  - By telephone or onsite , 92+ languages. See complete list at <u>www.linguisticainternational.com</u>
  - Sign Language Interpreters also available

# **Propio Language Services**

(888) 804-2044 (Telephonic Only)

Hours: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year

- Client number 1665 (Contractor number 06 6116)
- Languages: 150 + languages. Most all languages provided. Call for specific language needed.

# **Institute for Cultural Competency**

(800) 654-6231 (Telephonic Only)

Hours: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year

- Contractor number 06 6118
- Languages: 150 + languages. Most all languages provided. Call for specific language needed.